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From: Levine, Scott on behalf of OIG FOIA
Sent: Wednesday, September 14, 2016 2:04 PM
To: FOIA HQ
Subject: FW: FOIA REQUEST

This came to the OIG FOIA mailbox but does not appear to be a request for OIG records. Please assign as needed.

From: Cindy Folkers [mailto:cindy@beyondnuclear.org]
Sent: Wednesday, September 14, 2016 2:02 PM
To: OIG FOIA <OIG_FOIA@epa.gov>
Subject: FOIA REQUEST

National Freedom of Information Officer
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW (2822T)
Washington, DC 20460
(202) 566-1667

September 14, 2016

To Whom It May Concern;

Pursuant to the federal Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA"), 5 U.S.C. § 552. et seq. I request the following records:

Any responsive records between January 1, 2000 - September 14, 2016 related to the "National Council on Radiation Protection and Measurements" (AKA NCRP, AKA National Council on Radiation Protection).

In addition, this request seeks to capture all inter-agency and intra-agency records, including any federal and/or contract employee of any office or division of the Environmental Protection Agency.

"Records" is defined broadly to encompass all print, non-printable, electronically stored information, memoranda, reports, notes, transcripts, files transferred through 3rd party file sharing sites, electronic mail, CD's, DVD's, Powerpoint Presentations, spreadsheets, photos, videos, drawings, actions documenting oversight, voicemails, text messages, etc.

This request also includes copies of any indices relating to the responsive records, including shared drive folder structures, or other documents referring to the formal file structure maintained for these records.

Additionally, although this request is made to EPA headquarters, any responsive records from regions should be included in this FOIA.

I also request that fees be waived pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(4)(A)(iii), ("Documents shall be furnished without any charge ... if disclosure of the information is in the public interest because it is likely to contribute significantly to public understanding of the operations or activities of the government and is not primarily in the commercial interest of the requester."), since the disclosure is significantly in the public interest, and I don't stand to benefit from it.

If my fee waiver request is denied, please inform me in advance if this request is expected to cost more than \$250.00.

Please provide all applicable records, in their native form, to:

Beyond Nuclear
Attn: Cindy Folkers
6930 Carroll Ave #400
Takoma Park, MD 20912

I also request an estimate of how soon I can expect to receive the responsive documents. I request that the responsive records in their native form be placed on a CD or thumb drive and mailed to me via overnight courier.

I am the radiation and health hazards researcher at Beyond Nuclear, a nonprofit organization that provides information to members of the public and awareness of federal agency processes and proposals that directly affect their communities on issues of radiation and its impact on environmental and animal health. I plan to disseminate any information discovered through this request to the public.

The requested information will significantly contribute to a better public understanding of the operations of the federal government by providing the public with the information the government uses to decide how to act. The information should be released as quickly as possible to help public officials and citizens alike make more informed decisions about ongoing efforts and to raise concerns.

I have no commercial interest in this information.

If my request is denied in whole or in part, I ask that you justify all deletions by reference to specific exemptions of the act. I will also expect you to release all aggregable portions of otherwise exempt material. Additionally, I reserve the right to appeal your decision to withhold any information or to deny a waiver of fees.

I will expect your response to this request within 20 business days, as the statute requires.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions at cindy@beyondnuclear.org.

I look forward to working with you on this FOIA request.

Sincerely,

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